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In re Patent Application of MAIL STOP AF Adrien Dromard et al. Group Art Unit: 1793 Application No.: 10/583,417 Examiner: Richard M Rump Confirmation No.: 3689 Filed: April 26, 2007 Title: HIGHLY-STRUCTURED SILICA HAVING A LOW WATER UPTAKE, PREPARATION METHOD THEREOF AND USES OF THE SAME **NOTICE OF APPEAL** Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the last decision of the examiner. \boxtimes □ \$ 540 \$ 270 The fee for this appeal is: \boxtimes Charge \$540 to credit card. A Petition for Extension of Time is enclosed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. Respectfully submitted, BUCHANAN INGERSOLL & ROONEY PC Date: May 4, 2010 Bv: Scott W. Cumminas

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